

Auctions, on notice by decree and make known, that sales will be held at the state-mentioned land office.

State of MICHIGAN, at the private heretofore designated place, to wit:

At the land office at the depot of St. Marie, for the purpose of commencing the disposal of the lands of the State, on the fourth day of June next, for the benefit of the agricultural population, the following named townships and fractional townships, to wit:

North of the base line and west of the principal meridian.

Fractional townships thirty-seven and thirty-eight, and with Summer islands of range nineteen.

Fractional townships thirty-eight, thirty-nine, and forty, and fractional townships thirty-nine and forty, of range one.

Fractional townships thirty-five and thirty-six, of range four.

Fractional townships thirty-three, thirty-four, and thirty-five, of range twenty-five.

Fractional townships thirty-two and thirty-three, of range thirty-four and thirty-five.

Fractional townships thirty-four and thirty-five, of range twenty

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Notice to Mine and Pre-emption Claimants

Will all persons who have been entered in the several mining districts, under the laws of the State of Nevada, established in 1871, in possession, by actual occupancy, of the surface of the mineral lands, and who are desirous of the acquisition of the mineral rights in said lands, written permit from the United States Mining Commissioner, for the purpose of mining thereon, and who have not previously obtained such permit, and who are not miners or miners, actually discovered before the date of the expiration of the term of the permit, as mentioned, are authorized to enter and purchase the same, on the terms and conditions, and to the same extent, as provided in the laws of the United States, and for the commencement of the sale of those lands, the following conditions shall be observed, to wit: That, in compliance with those terms, to the register and receiver of the land office, situated in the county of Clark, Nevada, the following conditions shall be applied to the right of pre-emption to any of the agricultural lands embraced in the mining claim, and that the same shall be subject to the action of the register and receiver, and make payable to the United States, the sum of one dollar, on or before the day appointed for the commencement of the sale of the lands embraced in the claim, and that the certificate of the mining agent at South Star, Nevada, shall be presented to the register and receiver, and that the occupancy of a mine or mine, have paid up the amount of the taxes on the lands, and that the same be subject to the payment of rents required by the laws of the State of Nevada, mentioned.

Persons occupying under leases or permits, will be required to produce the same to the register and receiver, and to enter as settlers; and where any such lease or permit is not produced, the same shall be subject to the action of the register and receiver, and make payable to the United States, the sum of one dollar, on or before the day appointed for the commencement of the sale, when they will be offered at public sale, and the same shall be subject to the payment of rents required by the laws of the State of Nevada, mentioned.

To the Public. The "mineral lands" included in the foregoing proclamation are chiefly situated between Lake Superior and Lake Michigan, and are rendered immensely valuable by the exhaustless mines of copper and other ores found there. A considerable number of these mines have already been opened, and the range, with a few exceptions, is rich in minerals; and from the geological character of these lands, and the explorations already made, it cannot be doubted that the whole range will be found to be rich throughout this whole "mineral region."

It is, in fact, most probable that the range will be found to contain, in fact, most of the native copper and ores in greater percentage than anywhere else yet discovered in the United States. The necessary materials for the construction of roads and for fuel and smelting, are found in abundance in the same range.

The climate in the winter, though cold, does not interfere with the operations of the miners, and the proximity of these mineral lands to the mine of Lake Superior is highly favorable for their operations.

The proximity of these mineral lands to the mine of Lake Superior, and the proximity of the same to the lake, will be a great advantage for the water communication therefrom, by the St. Lawrence and Great Lakes.

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